



City of Rowlett

Special Meeting Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, July 29, 2014

6:00 P.M.

Annex Building – 4004 Main Street

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Gottel, Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz, Councilmember Bobbitt, Councilmember Dana-Bashian, Councilmember Sheffield and Councilmember van Bloemendaal

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION (6:00 P.M.)* Times listed are approximate

Council convened in Executive Session at 6:00 p.m.

- 2A. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice on the City Council's invocation policy. (30 minutes)
- 2B. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney and to discuss a lawsuit filed by Xerox. (15 minutes)
- 2C. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney and to discuss a lawsuit by the City against the Garland Public Shooting Range. (15 minutes)

Convened into open session at 7:11 p.m.

3. WORK SESSION (7:00 P.M.)*

- 3A.** Discuss the Blacklands Corridor Feasibility Study being conducted by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and the possible impacts to the City of Rowlett. (45 minutes)

Mayor Gottel read the item into the record.

Brian Funderburk, City Manager, gave a brief history of this item.

Tim Rogers, Director of Public Works, presented a PowerPoint explaining the purpose and goals of the Blacklands Corridor Feasibility Study. Spoke concerning various strategies including: conceptual, baseline, transit improvement, enhanced arterials, bottleneck improvements of Interstate 30, expansion of the Interstate 30 facility, and New Location Highway/Freeway/Tollway. Spoke concerning tollway options and traffic flows.

Members of Council voiced concerns regarding elevated roadways and sound walls in residential areas, connectivity/frontage roads, and the North Shore area.

Discussion was had regarding the possible route of the tollway, the possible amendment to the Long-Range Plan, and the construction process.

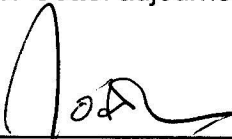
Consensus was reached by the Council to have open dialogue with the North Central Texas Council of Governments regarding the concerns that were voiced during the meeting. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled but a date has not been determined.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS


There were no actions taken.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gottel adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.



Todd W. Gottel, Mayor



Stacey Chadwick, Deputy City Secretary

Date Approved: August 19, 2014